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February '76 — Black Culture Month



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National Army ROTC Chief Here For History Observance

Major General C. Rogers, Deputy Chief of Staff, ROTC Headquarters, Training and Doctrine Command, Fort Monroe, Virginia, will be the speaker at a special convocation scheduled on February 26 at Prairie View A&M University.

A Medal of Honor Winner, General Rogers will address Prairie View students, staff and visitors in connection with the observance of Black History month.

General Rogers graduated from West Virginia State College in 1951. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, after completing Army ROTC. During his career, he was assigned as Assistant Deputy Commander, later Deputy Commander, V Corps Artillery, United States Army, Europe; Staff Officer, Readiness Division, later Designated Troop Operations and Readiness Division, Operations



General Charles Rogers

Directorate, Office of the Deputy Chief of staff for Military Operations, United States Army, Washington, D. C.; Operations Chief, J-3, United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam; Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, 5th Artillery, 1st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army, Pacific-Vietnam, Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, 2nd Brigade (Basic Combat Training), United States Army Training Center, Infantry, Fort Lewis, Washington; and Commanding Officer, 42nd Field Artillery Group, United States Army, Europe.

His awards include The Medal of Honor, The Legion of Merit (Two Awards), Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star Medal with Valor Device (Four Awards), The Air Medal (Ten Awards), The Joint Service Commendation Medal, The Army Commendation Medal (Four Awards), The Purple Heart, and the Parachutist Badge.

He has attended The U. S. Army Command and General Staff College and The U. S. Army War College.

Community Affairs Center Holds Graduation Exercises

Graduation exercises for students in the Vocational Training programs were held on Tuesday February 24 in the Memorial Center ballroom.

The speaker for the occasion was Dr. S. R. Collins dean of the College of Engineering. Certificate awards were made by Dr. H. S. Bonner, director of the Community Affairs Program. Other program participants include Mrs. Joan Lewis, Mrs. Joyce Harris, class president and Mrs. Ruby Bell, project coordinator.

Graduations included the following: Auto Mechanics—Gloria Flowers, Charles Martin, Larry Sanders, John E.

Steward, Hempstead, Texas; Henry Manuel, Bonnie Smith, Prairie View; Loyd Jackson, Edward Wallace, Bellville; Lillie Grant, Brookshire; and Jessie W. Johnson, Montgomery.

Clerical—Doris Combs, Adela Contreras, Pauline Kiser, Sharon Rogers, Hempstead; Melvinlean Frederick, Joyce Harris, Verna McNeal, Kathryn Washington, Katy; Edith Armstrong, Patricia Reed, Magnolia; Shirley Davis, Willis; Charlotte Early, Conroe; Betty James, Prairie View; Debra Lollman, Bellville; and Hattie O. Thompson, Alleyton.

Natural Science Division To Host Annual Institute

The Natural Science Division will host the twenty-first annual One-Day Science Institute on Wednesday, March 17, 1976 starting at 9:00 a.m. in the Harrington Science Auditorium. Registration for the Institute will begin at 8:00 a.m. The One-Day Science Institute is held each year for high school students and faculty as well as the students of Prairie View A&M University.

The theme of the One-Day Science Institute is "The Role of Administrators in Promoting Science Education for Youth". This should be of interest to students who are the recipients of science education, to the faculty who are learning facilitators, and to the administrators who formulate policies. Each level has a key role to ensure students of receiving maximum benefits

from their resources. It is hoped that the students, teachers and administrators will exchange view-points and ideas about the importance of science education in modern society.

Dr. Charles Ireland, Hospital Director, Howard University, Washington, D. C. will be the keynote speaker at the opening session. Other sessions will feature a panel by high school administrators and presentations of scientific research papers by students within the Division of Natural Sciences. There will also be exhibits throughout the Harrington Science Building which the participants may view.

All students and faculty are invited to attend.

Prof. Attends Foreign Policy Conference

Dr. R. N. S. Rao, Professor of Civil Engineering and Chairman of the Civil Engineering Department attended "Foreign Policy Conference" at Houston on January 28, 1976. The conference was sponsored by the U. S. State Department and International Education Inc. Rao is one of the many local Civic and Educational leaders invited by the state department to attend this conference. The panel of speakers consisted of many from the state department in Washington and business leaders, and they had a good exchange of views from the participants on the present foreign policy of the United States.

The final week in February will conclude the month-long centennial observance of Prairie View A&M of the birthdate of Carter Woodson, "Father of Black History."

Woodson, son of former slaves, organized the forerunners of the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History and Black History Week. His birthdate is usually observed for that week in mid-February, but on the 100th

anniversary of his birth, the observance was extended both at PVAM and nationwide to the entire month.

Virtually every academic department and campus organization has participated in some way from displays to seminars and educational entertainment.

This year contains a 29th day of the month, a Sunday, and a special day of reflection has been designated.



DEBATERS—The Debating Club sponsored a forum debate earlier this month on the subject "Should Black Americans participate in the Bicentennial observance?" Students who participated included (pictured above) Marilyn Vaughn, Paul K. Henry, Sigmund R. Batson, and Phyllis Wallace. Others pictured on inside pages are Rose M. Freeman, Gwylene Wright, Shorlette D. Maney and Rose Pugh. Dr. Millard Eiland is debating adviser.

National Science Foundation Approves PV Institute Grant

A grant of \$10,270 has been made to Prairie View A&M University by the National Science Foundation for support of a project entitled "Student Science Training for High Ability Secondary School Students."

The project, which covers a period of nine months, is under

the direction of Professor William E. Reid, Department of Chemistry.

The special training program has been set for the 1976 summer session at the University and will include approximately 20 participants, all top level students from high schools over the state.

National Engineering Week Observed



Darryl Kemp
PV's Engineering
Student-of-the-Year

National Engineering Week was observed at Prairie View A&M and throughout the nation during the period February 22-28.

"The membership over 70,000 professional engineers are taking the week to familiarize the public with the work of engineers and to honor outstanding members of the profession," said society spokesman Dean A. E. Greaux.

During the week, the engineers of all types will introduce students to the many facets of the engineering profession. Also, an outstanding area engineer was named 1976 "Engineer of the Year." At Prairie View, Darryl Kemp, local Prairie View community

resident and graduate of Waller High School was named PV Engineer-of-the-year.

Engineering week is sponsored by the National Society of Professional Engineers of which the Prairie View College of Engineering is an affiliate. The observance brings to the attention of the public the role of the professional engineer in today's society and his vital concern for improving our quality of life and building a better America for everyone.

Several special activities were held on campus in connection with the annual event. The annual Conference of the Texas Council of Engineering Deans held earlier this month was the highlight of this year's observance.



MEAL TIME FUN—There's plenty campus action in and around Alumni Hall these days. A Panther photographer caught these co-eds in a jolly mood while probate activities by various campus organizations (see inside) provide daily entertainment before and after meals. Pictured (l-r) are Genita Regina and Patricia.



CUB SCOUT PROGRAM—Prairie View adult scouting leaders, parents and cub scouts pose for awards and presentations during the **Local Units Annual Blue and Gold Banquet.** The colorful occasion was held in the Junior High School Cafeteria.

Boy Scout Drive To Close March 5

The Annual Boy Scout for Prairie View A&M University will open on February 20, 1976 and close on March 5, 1976. Officers of the Drive and area captains include:

General Chairman:	Dr. J. E. Berry
Fiscal Officers:	Mrs. U. S. Bell
	Mrs. Brenda Howard
<i>Captain</i>	<i>University Units</i>
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	Cooperative Extension
2. Mr. Lee Henderson	City of Prairie View
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	Chemistry
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	Physics
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3. Mr. S. R. Daruvalla	Home Economics
4. Mrs. E. Outley	Industrial Education
5. Mr. Dewey Fontenot	Manpower
	University Library and LRC
6. Mrs. Gazella Booth	Student Health and Family
7. Mrs. Stella Johnson	Planning, Career Placement,
Colomb	U Minis-tries and Beauty
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Prairie View A&M University and the Advisory Council of the greater Houston area invite all college bound juniors and seniors to participate in a *College Career Carnival* Friday, March 19, 1976, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. *Holiday Inn South* 4640 Main Street, Houston, Texas.

Fun and entertainment for all. Presented by *The Prairie View A&M University Dance Band* and *The Black Foxes*. There will be door prizes.

All parents are encouraged to attend.

First and second place trophy presented to the schools with the highest attendance.

For further information, call or write Mrs. Ruby Summers, chairman, 7414 Saint Lo Street, Houston, Texas. 733-5511; Mr. Carmen Stewart, co-chairman, 3707 Sampson, Houston, Texas 77004. 748-5400; Mrs. Minnie Stringfellow, co-chairman, 43-01 Roseneath Drive, Houston, Texas 741-1960; Mrs. Mary A. Clark, associate director of admissions, Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, Texas 77445. 857-4723.

REFRESHMENTS

Growing Fast

Participants in the federal food stamp program totaled 13.5 million in 1974, more than twice the total for 1970, according to the Census Bureau.

The program began in 1961 with 50,000 participants at a cost to the federal government of less than \$500,000. Federal cost in 1974 amounted to \$2.7 billion, while participants paid in an additional \$2 billion.

THERE'S MORE FOOD FOR EVERYONE NOW

The nearly four billion people in the world today have about one-fifth more food per person to eat than the world's 2.7 billion people had 20 years ago.

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13. Mr. H. A. Perkins
- Mr. Willie Jackson
14. Gwendolyn Harrison
15. Mr. Robert Williams
16. Mrs. C. B. Coss
17. Mrs. Savannah Collier
18. Dr. Samuel Lindsey
- Mrs. Jewel Cooper
- Mrs. Barbara Jackson
19. Mrs. Ruth B. Arnold
20. Dr. Purvis Carter
21. Mr. Leon English
22. Major Willie Tempton
23. Mrs. Anna James
24. Mrs. N. Otterstand

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DELTA AND NATIONAL OFFICER—Mrs. Hobart Taylor Jr. Director of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority of Washington, D. C. poses with members of PV's Eta Beta Chapter pledgees following Founders Day observance on Sunday, February 15.

Standard Oil Purchases Over 3-Million From Black Business

Houston, Tex.--Standard Oil Company (Indiana) and its subsidiaries exceeded by nearly \$3 million their 1975 goal for purchasing services and supplies from minority businesses.

Amoco Production Company, Standard's domestic exploration and production subsidiary, more than doubled its purchases from minority firms last year. Amoco Oil Company, the domestic refining, transportation and marketing sub-

siary of Standard, was the leader in terms of actual expenditures, accounting for more than \$7 million of the company's total \$18 million worth of purchases.

Lyle E. Schaffer, Standard's general manager for purchasing, reported that purchases from minority-owned companies in 1975 totaled \$18 million--about 19 per cent higher than the goal of \$15.2 million.

In the last two years alone, Standard and its subsidiaries have increased their purchases from minority vendors by 120 per cent, Schaffer said.

Amoco Production Company's largest division office is located in Houston. Amoco Production is the second largest producer of crude oil in the state of Texas. One of Amoco Oil Company's largest refineries is located at Texas City. The Texas City refinery is the largest producer of lead-free gasoline in the country.

Amoco Chemicals operates three chemical installations in Texas--at Texas City, at Chocolate Bayou near Alvin, and at Wichita Falls. Much of Amoco Pipeline Company's pipeline system is located in Texas. The company's pipeline system is one of the largest in the country.

PV Symphonic Band Performs Waller Concert

The Prairie View A&M University Symphonic Band under the direction of Dr. Lucius R. Wyatt performed its first concert of the year on Friday, February 20th at the Waller Junior High School. The band performed works by Shostakovich, Tchaikovsky, Grainger, and Osse, to a very appreciative audience.

The Symphonic Band plans to perform other concerts during March and April. Its annual Spring Concert is scheduled on Thursday, April 8th in the Women's Gym.

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Sociology Staff Students Attend Social Work Meet

The association of Black Social Workers in Houston held its fifth anniversary observance conference on Saturday, February 14, 1976 at the Romada Inn.

Attending the conference were members of the Sociology/social work department, Mrs. Jimmie Poindexter, acting head of the department, Mr. Cornelious Perry and Mrs. Elizabeth Martins. Representatives from the Sociology/social work club (Sigma Omicron Chi) were Miss Delores Leonard and Sidney McPhee.

The guest speaker for the occasion was Dean Jay C. Chinn, National President of the Association of Black Social Workers Incorporated. The theme was "Black America: Reawaking for the Future." Dean Chinn noted that the war in America was against the people with color and won color. Speaking on the Social Security system he said that Blacks were financing a white social security system.

Sidney McPhee, Reporter

PV Canterbury Club News

The PV Canterbury Club has been back in function now for a year and has been growing ever since. Yet there are still many students asking questions, what the Canterbury Club is all about.

The Canterbury Club is an Episcopal University Church Club of St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church Prairie View, an is open to all Religion.

The purpose of the club is to promote christianity among the students. The objectives of the club are: church, community, social and educational projects.

Meetings are held every second and fourth Sunday, in each month at the Memorial Student Center, Room 206 at 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. All students interested are welcome to join.

The sponsors for the Canterbury Club are: Mr. Carl Moore, head senior fellow of Holley Hall Dormitory for Men and Sergeant Robert Helevon of ROTC.

The officers are as follows: president, Velma V. Wilson; vice president, Juieth P. Knowles; secretary, Janette Davis; assistance secretary, Eugene Bowden; treasurer, Glenda Davis; parliamentarian, William G. Roberts; reporter, Peggy D. Archer; chaplain, Cecil Dorsett.

By Reporter, Peggy D. Archer

Something New at PV—

A Delta Service Project

The Eta Beta Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta came up with a unique monthly Project for the month of February. The group sold carnations honoring Valentines Day. With the support of the administrators, faculty members, students and friends, the project became a big success. Carnations were delivered Via FTD (by a full-time Delta). The sorority wishes to thank everyone for the success of the project.

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The other program is the Two-year NROTC Scholarship Program. The only difference in the qualifications is that you must have a C average (2.3 out of 4.0) or better. It is open to men and women.

For both programs, you'll need to pass Navy qualification tests. And, quite frankly, it will help if your major is math, physical science, or engineering.

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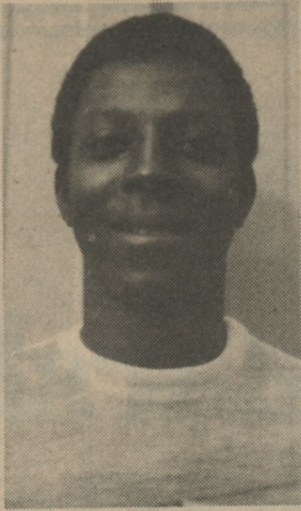
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Candy Sale

The Prairie View A&M University Agronomy-Soil Conservation Club is sponsoring a candy sale in its continuous efforts to increase its financial standing relative to this year's activities. So, please candy lovers, stash back some cash and help us reach our goals in this sale which will start during the end of the month.

Until then, think about helping us and remember that what you get in return will be very tasty.



Gary Ashton
Reporter

Meet The Officers

Freshmen Class

Helen Lucille Coleman, better known as "Skippy," knows what it is all about as parliamentarian of the freshman class.

She hails from Jack Yates High in Houston. As an honor student, she served as president on the Drama Club and Christian Student Union, and Radio and Television Announcing Staff, secretary of Girls' Senate, representative in the Close-Up program, and a diligent member of Medical Careers Club and Student Organized for Black Unity (S.O.B.U.).

She stated, "To bring togetherness and help the freshman class in all the ways possible and to always be ready to execute my knowledge of parliamentary procedures are my plans for the class."

Her other activities on campus involve being the chaplain of the Student Baptist Players, and announcer for the

Harrington Science Building, Auditorium B. Come on out, be counted, let your ideas flow through the minds of all and most of all "Wake up Juniors, don't sleep through the revolution."

Frederick Roberts
Business Manager



Helen Coleman

Prairie View Marching Band, and treasurer of the Charles Gilpin Players.

Skippy's interests are singing, dancing, acting, and meeting new people.

Her career ambition is to go into the field of dentistry.

by Gwylen Wright
Class Reporter

Words of Wisdom

Humans are not to puppets of fate. The roles we each play in life can be intelligently and personally directed by ourselves.

Omegas Suspended

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity has been suspended for the alleged brutal beating of Kennett Yepp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yepp. The Fraternity is on probation pending investigation.

Rev. W. Van Johnson

Finer Womanhood Celebrates

The ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. celebrated their 68th year of service and finer womanhood Sunday, February 22, at the Campus Newman Center. The week included activities. Such as beauty demonstrations, a panel discussion and a birthday party.

We would like to thank the ladies of Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc. and Mrs. Mary C. Clark for their pointers on beauty and visual poise. Also Mr. Brain

Hall of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity for his cooperation on the panel discussion which elaborated on the aspects of pledging.

The Founder's Day ceremony was very beautiful as well as rewarding. This year's intimate program was a closed ceremony. Once again we would like to say happy birthday Zeta Gamma and Zeta Gamma Omega.

Kay Williams, Reporter

Alphas Announce Officers for Spring Semester

The ETA Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated announces its officers for the Spring Semester 1975-76. They are:-

Frederick V. Roberts	President
Herman King	Vice President
John Osby	Recording Secretary
Mark Williams	Corresponding Secretary
Lionel Evans	Treasurer
Derick King	Editor-to-the-Sphinx
Joseph Lawson	Chaplain
Gregory Hazeley	Sargent-at-Arms
Marco Rolle	Director of Education
Jerry Buster, Gregory Hazeley	Pan-Hellenic Council Rep.

The members of the chapter are looking forward to a great semester with the new management team in command.

Derick King, Reporter

Wake Up Juniors

If you came to Prairie View A&M University during the year of 1973, then you are officially classified as a Junior. If you are a Junior, why is it that you don't attend the regular meetings held for Juniors. Is it that you don't have or can't find the time to discuss certain important items that concern you as a student, an individual and most of all a human being?

The officers of the Junior class are very concerned about the welfare of mankind. This is one of the reasons that we

haven't let the class of 1977 become defunct. We want to be identified with a class, not just to be called a Junior but to be recognized as a senior student to the Freshman or Sophmores.

We are directing the questions to you the Class of 1977 and are asking that you wake up and join forces with the few diligent Juniors and try to make this class one of the best that has ever graduated from Prairie View A&M University. The meetings for the Junior Class is held every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the



Yearbook Features—

Candidates For Most Handsome

1st ROW	2nd ROW	3rd ROW	4th ROW
Donald Allen	Robert Grice	Fred Middleton	Ronald Stinnett
Hoyt Andrew	Carl Gude	Derreck Miller	Tryrell White
Edward Arkadie	Donald Hall	Thomas Parker	Gregg Williams
George Arnold	Paris Kincade	Ernest Rainey	Willie Waters
Cornelius Brannon	Joseph Lawson	Michael Rainey	Steve Hall
C. Brinkley	Lonnie Lewis	Richard Reed	Michael Johnson
Harold Brown	Bruce Maxwell	Freddie Roberts	Joseph Lawson
William Gamble	Kermit McAdoy	Theodore Sams III	Ronald Russell

BOTTOM ROW Kenneth Edmonson

Yearbook Features—

Candidates For Most Curvaceous

FIRST ROW

Janice Alderson
Beverly Allen
Theresa Andrews
Brenda Cox

Jodean Castille
Claudia Coleman
Carolyn Cleaver
Claudia Crain

2nd ROW

Sharon M. Guinn
Sylvia Harris
Donna Johnson
Linda Jones

Rayall Joseph
Lillian Lewis
Ruthie Marshall
Evelyn Preston

3rd ROW

Geraldine Smith
Gertrude Stewart
Belinda Swisher
Debra White

Annie Williams
Barbara Williams
Carolyn Woodard



Yearbook Features—

Candidates For Most Friendly Girls

Yearbook Features—

Candidates For Campus Flirt

1st ROW

Pamela Jones
Cynthia Taylor

2nd ROW

Diane Chinn
Charlotte Chandler

3rd ROW

Mary Alfred
Monica Allums
Linda Arkadie
Hilda Baker
Agatha Lee Bell
Diane Butler
Lois Cutter
Cynthia Crump

4th ROW

Sherrie Ennis
Ruby Franklin
Brenda Greene
Crassandra Johnson
Susan King
Arslee Mackey
Nancy Neal
Josie Texada

Valeria Brooks
Sandra Clay
Jacqueline Rushing
Lonnie Smith



Yearbook Features—

Candidates For Campus Players



1st ROW

Walter Bell
Kelvin Bullock
Perry Buster
Jerry Buster

David Fagget
Lionel Frederick
Roy Fuller
Gregory Hazeley

2nd ROW

David McKnight
Rodney Melton
Morris Richardson
Tommy Williams

Oura Scott
Kenneth Smith
Mark Williams

Yearbook Features—

Candidates For Most Friendly Guy

1st ROW

Ralph Andrews
Larry Ates
Rickey Bradford
Michael Burks
Jan Dedman

2nd ROW

FeFe Ellis
John Hunt
Clyde Johnson
Christopher Kirk
Christopher Wesley

BOTTOM ROW

Roneal McCamick



Phi Beta Lambda Spotlight Supreme

This month the Lambda's Spotlight shines brightly on Brother Nelson Thompson. Brother Nelson Thompson is a Senior, majoring in Drafting and Design in the College of Industrial Technology. Brother Thompson, who often boast about being from "Sweet East Texas, City of Henderson, is a member of the "Hell Raisers Eight" of Spring 1974, along with others such as "Six-Foot," "Moccrocco," "Baby Wolf," "T. C.," and "Big in Key."

Many people on the yard might know him as a 6'1" 210 lb. dude by the name of "To-Picl." Since becoming a member of Phi Beta Lambda Inc. he has held three different offices. First, Reporter, then coordinator of Public-Relations and presently Business Manager, also he is the 1975-76 President of the Council of Pamjod.

Brother Thompson is very

Nasty Nine

This Spring "76" nine young men "The Supreme Nasty line are attempting to cross the burning sands into Lambdaland. "The Supreme Nasty Nine" is the longest, coldest, boldest, of all male pledge lines on campus.

Now so that everyone can know who they are:

1. William C. Holliman, line name, "Three Tom" major, Chemistry, from the big M. W. Mineral Wells, Texas.

2. Ronald Robinson, line name, "lil Keebler, major Civil Engineering, from San Francisco, Calif.

3. Dexture Ray Pettit, line name "Poindexture," major Physical Ed., from Van Vleck, Texas.

4. Aloysius Richard Cook, line name "Cookie Monster," major Electrical Engineering, from Houston, Texas.

5. Floyd Johnson, line name "Quantas," major Mechanical Engineering, from Houston, Texas.

6. David P. Crenshaw, line name "Yak," major Civil Engineering, from San Francisco, Calif.

7. James M. Cummings, line name "California Kid," major Electrical Engineering, from Long Beach, Calif.

8. Keith Moore, line name "Bo," major Building Construction, from San Antonio, Texas.

9. Bradrick Gupton, line name "Henderson Kid," major Physical Therapy, from Henderson, Texas.

Half-Lambda William C. Holliman, Reporter (Tree Top)

active academic wise, making the Presidents Honor Roll four semesters. He has a small library, to which he studies daily. He is also an active part of Student Life as Junior Fellow of the Martin L. King Unit in Fuller Complex. Some of Bro. To-Picks hobbies are football, music, drawing, and making good brothers and sisters out of all Lambda Pledges.

We the Brothers and Sisters of Phi Beta Lambda are proud to have brother like Nelson S. Thompson, who has been working hard for Lambda ever since he crossed the swinging sands in the spring of 1974.

—Bro. Robert Thomas (Sweet Puga T.)

Unidentified Candidates

(By Name or
Category)



SUMMER JOBS

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Words of Wisdom

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UNIVERSITY GRANT—Citizens State Bank President James Hanek presents check to President Alvin I. Thomas during recent visit to the campus.

Tree Planting Ceremony Held At Waller County Courthouse

A special tree planting ceremony was held at the Waller County Court House in Hempstead. The program is sponsored by the Bicentennial Horizon Committee, the Texas Forest Service, and the Texas Forestry Association as an official American Revolution Bicentennial project. The ceremony took place Saturday, February 14, 1976 at 10:00 (ten) a.m.

A highlight of the ceremony was the dedication and planting of a "Liberty Tree" by Dr. George R. Woolfolk as master of ceremonies and Senator William T. (Bill) Moore as guest speaker.

The Liberty Tree is a "Tejas" variety pecan. Pecan is the

State Tree of Texas, and the "Tejas" (the Spanish word for Texas) is a new variety which grows well throughout the State and produce abundant shade and tasty fruit.

This Bicentennial pecan is called a Liberty Tree after the famous Elm in colonial Boston under which the first act of public resistance occurred in 1765--the hanging in effigy of a newly appointed stamp tax officer. This tree was a symbol of resistance to British rule, and many towns planted or dedicated their own Liberty Trees.

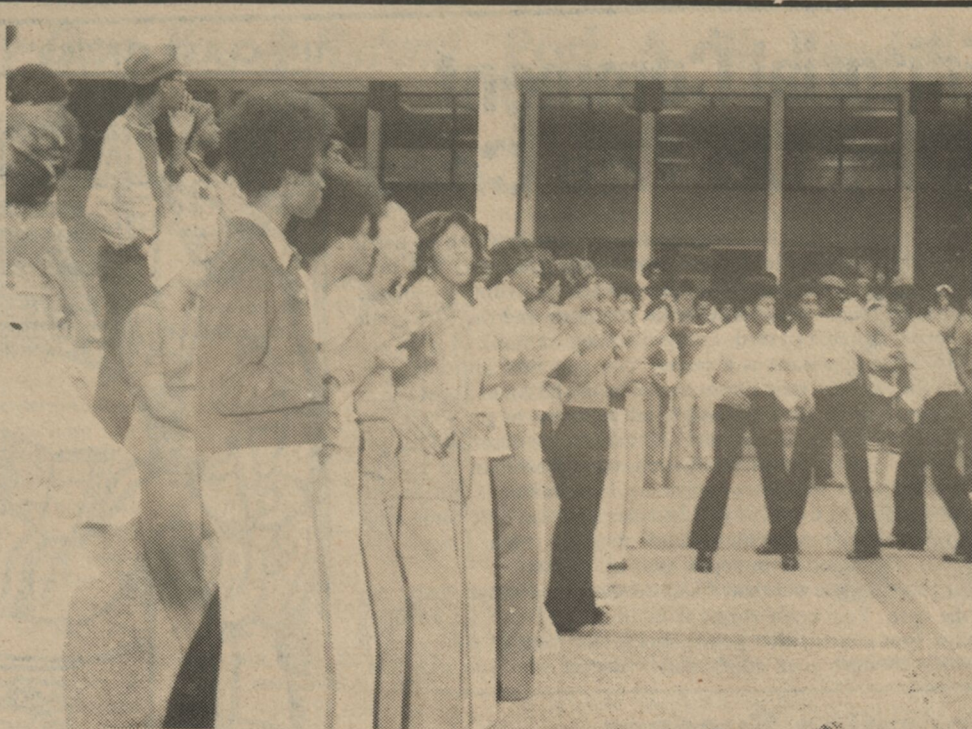
Participating in the event will be Hempstead, Royal, and Waller Schools. The public is invited to attend.

Waller ISD Tax Equalization Study Underway

The citizens for good government, under the chairmanship of Dr. W. D. Thompson, will hear Mr. D. C. Hamilton, Jr., president and general manager of Southwestern Appraisal Co. on Wednesday, February 18, 7:30 p.m. at the Newman Center, Prairie View, Texas.

Southwestern Appraisal Co., Inc. of Austin, Texas was selected by the Waller I. S. D. board of trustees to make a complete appraisal of the taxable property within the district.

Any group wishing to request a meeting date with a representative of Southwestern Appraisal Company should contact the superintendent's office, Telephone 372-3685, or the tax office telephone 372-3695.



PROBATE ACTIVITIES—Crescendos are "doing their thing" before many onlookers and active participants in front of Alumni Hall, The Campus spot is the scene of campus life activities "on the yard."

Operation Success

The University office of Academic Affairs has launched an all-out effort to make "Operation Success" known and understood throughout the Prairie View A&M family.

Vice President G. R. Ragland, has issued a memorandum outlining the purposes of Operation Success and an explanation of programs to help students with Grade Point Averages below 2.0. The following is the report issued by Dr. Ragland:

Operation Success is based on the philosophy that each student admitted to Prairie View A&M University has the potential to succeed.

The University recognizes that many student are admitted who have academic, social, cultural, vocational, economic or personal handicaps.

No student is admitted, however, with handicaps which cannot be corrected so that the student can achieve success. The students do have the potential to succeed. Operation Success is based upon the philosophy that it is the responsibility of the University to organize its human and material resources in such systems that will maximize the

academic, personal-social, cultural, and career awareness and vocational attainment of each student enrolled.

The University measures minimum academic success in terms of a student earning and maintaining a grade point average of 2.0 each semester.

Currently, however, we have a number of students who did not earn a 2.0 grade point average last semester and/or who do not have an overall grade point average of 2.0.

We are identifying each one of these students. Each student and his parents will be notified of his present grade point average and the specifics of the academic enrichment program designed to assist the student.

The University believes that each student on the list has the ability to earn the minimum grade point average. It will be necessary, however, to change some of the present study habits and personal habits of the students in order to achieve success.

This communication is being sent to all students, faculty, staff, parents and interested alumni and friends. We hope that this communication will assist you in understanding the

sincere interest and effort that Prairie View is taking in order to help those students who are having academic difficulty. We also ask your support of this

effort. With the supports of students, parents, staff and friends, we can get each student out of academic difficulty and on the way to academic success.

What is the Nature of the Program to Help Students With Grade Point Averages below 2.0?

- Each student will be identified. He and his parents will be notified that he is not meeting minimum academic standards.
- Each student will be required to confer with his academic advisor.
 - Each student failing to report to his academic advisor within the specified time will be withdrawn from the University and sent home.
 - Each student conferring with his academic advisor will be encouraged to voluntarily enter a program of academic self improvement.
 - Each student failing to agree to participate in the self-improvement program will be withdrawn from the University and sent home.
- Each student agreeing to participate in the self-improvement program will:
 - Be assisted by his academic advisor and/or other counselor to determine the cause of his performing below minimum academic standards.
 - Be placed in a program designed to raise their grade point average, based upon the needs of the particular student.
 - Be asked to enter a contract wherein he voluntarily agrees to participate in a program of academic development provided by the University. (See attachment for some elements of the contract)
 - Be subject to withdrawal from the University and being sent home if the contract is broken.
- We are asking parents, relatives, faculty, staff, and students not in academic difficulty to encourage, motivate, and support each student who is in academic difficulty. The student will need all the moral support they can get. We are convinced that they can get out of the academic trouble. Let's all of us give each student a helping hand. If you have questions or comments concerning this program, please let the officials of the University hear from you.

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Editorial Comment

Stay On The Case

As students of any University during this age in which we live it is very easy for you to slip off into things that may not have anything to do with your initial plans when you came to college. I'm sure that some time between the 9th grade and the 12th grade you were instructed to sit down for a while and think of what you believe you might want as a career. You may take aptitude tests, and be asked to see your counselors so he or she could assist you in formulating some path in your mind to follow to get where you want to go. Courses are outlined and careers are described for you during these years, until finally you are a freshman in college. Sometimes what you choose as a major or minor is not exactly what you thought it was. If you find this to be true, do some more research on other curriculums and areas of study. Couple this research with another in-depth look at yourself.

For those people who had finalized their long-range goals, stay on the case. You won't regret it at the end. Don't let anything change your course, alter your plans get in front of your eyes. If anybody changes your mind, make sure its you, and only you.

Operation Success

Some Elements of Contractual Agreement for Students With Grade Point Average Below 2.0

Note:

A student and his academic advisor may agree to include any one or more of these programs in the student's contract. Items 1, 2, and 3 are madatory.

1. Accept, but his on a Academic Probation.
2. Accept philosophy of Operation Success to earn and maintain a 2.0 grade point average.
3. Accept and abide the conditions and his academic contract.
4. Agree to attend all classes on time and stop absences.
5. Participate in specified academic enrichment, tutorial, and/or vestibule programs.
6. Participate in residence hall study programs.
7. Participate in organized Library Study Programs.
8. Participate in organized Learning Resources Center Program.
9. Participate in Week-End Study Programs (Students will be required to remain on campus at least 3 weekends per month).
10. Participate in individual or group counseling programs.
11. Secure and own textbooks for each class.
12. Establish weekly and daily goals and maintain a daily schedule for achieving goals.
13. Execute weekly progress sheets to be signed by each class instructor and present it to your academic advisor.
14. Remain on Campus during student-faculty renewal period which begins at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 5, and ends on Monday, March 15, at 7:30 a. m.
15. Forfeit all rights to financial aid, including student employment during their next enrollment period.
16. Have parents come to the Campus for Family counseling.
17. Meeting regularly with academic advisor.
18. Withdrawal from certain or all extra curricular activities.
19. Return of automobile to home for the semester.
20. Other designated elements which will help students academic success.

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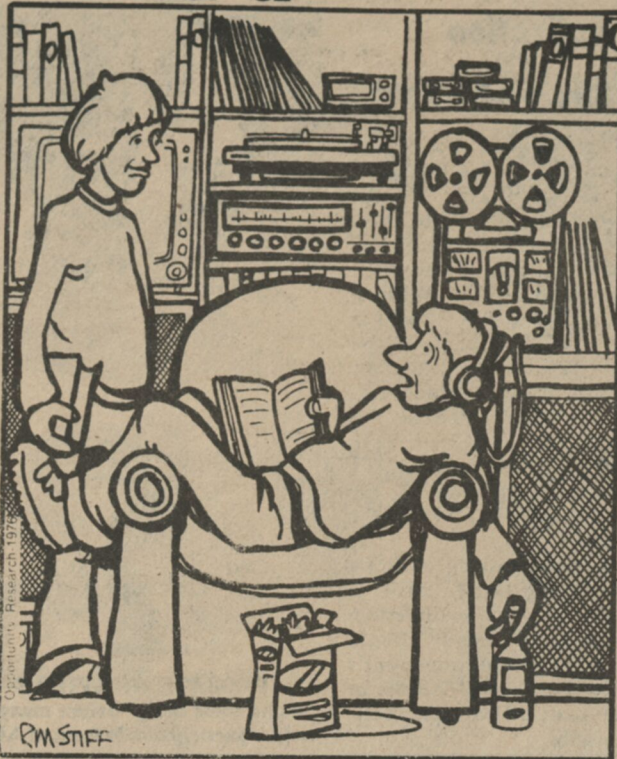
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Entertainment Spectrum

The Entertainment Committee of the Student Senate, on its return from the Christmas holidays began diligently working on some top-named entertainment for this semester. We began working on *Earth, Wind, and Fire*, and after a month we made a 100% effort to get them to start their tour early, so we could have a major concert in February. This was impossible, so we started working on other named artists. Most of them were either in the recording studio now or were not beginning their tours until late March, April, or May.

Two weeks ago, the dynamite band Rufus featuring Chaka Khan sent Prairie Views Entertainment Committee some requested correspondence, stating their availability and the cost of their show. It was brought to the attention of the committee that the University did not have the money to buy the show, but...a most prominent, and well-known promoter in Houston agreed that he would buy the show for Prairie View, and give us a percentage of what is made at the door. A beautiful deal we could have had Rufus on February 26.

Mind you, this work was done by the Student Entertainment Committee, who was trying to get entertainment that students really wanted and would really support. What happened to Rufus? The deal

was turned down, and instead another deal was made to the surprise of the Student Entertainment Committee. This past November, this committee went to a National Entertainment Conference. The thing that we learned there, coupled with the experience of working with entertainment at Prairie View for the last two years, motivated us to want to do something big. Hard work was done along the line of top named entertainment for this University, because the students that comople this committee are sensitive to and know what students want. It is understandable that the University does not have the money, but when this same committee can get people to finance a concert for us, and give the University a cut, thats very hard to understand.

On March 5, 1976, you'll be given Natalie Cole and Billy Paul. The school will gain nothing from the concert, you will get some entertainment, but remember you could have gotten something better.

ECONOMIC PROFESSOR PUBLISHES REPORTS

Two publications have been published recently authored by Dr. M. A. Soliman, Professor of Economics. The first study entitled "Socio-Economic Characteristics of the Population of East Texas." The second report is on "Housing Characteristics in South East Texas."

Black History

A Bicentennial Contribution

Washington—One hundred years ago Carter G. Woodson was born to a slave family near Canton, Va. Fifty years ago, Woodson—armed with degrees from Harvard and the University of Chicago—launched the annual observance of Negro History Week and began to be known as "the father of black history."

These two anniversaries—Negro History Week and the 200th anniversary of this nation—has prompted the Assn. for the Study of Afro-American Life and History, an organization founded by Woodson, to extend its traditional one-week celebration of black history to the entire month of February. This year the celebration is named Afro-American History Month.

"Our board of directors felt that a special effort should be made this 200th anniversary period to acquaint all other Americans with the contribution, participation and support of America by black Americans," Dr. J. Rupert Picott said in an interview.

Picott is executive director of the 60-year-old historical society which is dedicated to the preservation, interpretation, and dissemination of information on the role blacks played in the development of this country and the world.

Picott strongly disagrees with those members of minority groups who argue that blacks and other minorities should not celebrate America's Bicentennial.

However, he said, the celebration should not be a time for "patting ourselves on the back, but for a serious evaluation for the future efforts."

"I think we have done too much for America to give up on the country now," he continued. "This is not to decry its faults (or) to gloss over what is wrong, but rather a matter of fighting in the system, not walking away."

As a special project, the historical society this year will erect more than 100 markers on birthplaces or places of achievement by black Americans. The project, funded by Amoco Foundation, Inc., of arm

people and places are designated by local communities.

On Feb. 27, for example, the society will honor Dr. H. Councill Trenholm of Montgomery, Ala. He served as executive secretary of the American Teacher's Assn. for 25 years before the group merged with its white counterpart, the National Education Assn., in 1966.

"We want to do this differently," Picott said, "and honor some people who really contributed but never got to be a Booker T. Washington or Martin Luther King."

Black history kits will be distributed to schools this year carrying the theme: "America for All Americans." They will include outlines for celebrating the contributions of four other minorities—Spanish-surnamed people, Jews, native Americans and women.

"We feel that the minority cause cannot be fragmented into black only and still be successful," Picott explained. "We can only reach our goals through cooperative efforts with other groups."

In keeping with this belief, the association will launch July 5 a program entitled "America: the Third Century" that is designed to reevaluate the last 200 years in an effort to project the future.

Other projects include an evaluation of the teaching of black history and efforts to get more black history taught as part of regular history in the lower school grades.

School desegregation has had a positive effect on expansion of black history, according to Picott. "As long as there was segregation," he said, "there was the concerted opinion that black history was only for blacks."

He said his organization now receives requests for information from all over the country, even cities and school systems with small black populations. Other tangible evidence of the growing interest in black history can be seen in the symbolic events of last year, Picott said.

For the first time, the President of the United States issued a proclamation observing Black History Week.

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DEBATE TEAMS—Meet the Affirmative and Negative teams which argued the question "Should We participate in the Bicentennial Observance?" The Affirmative team includes (L-R) rose M. Freeman, Paul K. Henry, Phyllis A. Wallace, Sigmund R. Batson. The negative Debate Team includes (L-R) Gwylan Wright, Marilyn F. Vaughn, Sharlette D. Maney nad Rose M. Pugh.

From The Editor

Prayerful Meditation

When the wicked are in authority transgression increases, but the uncompromisingly righteous shall see the falls of the wicked.

Proverbs 29:16

He who says to the wicked, you are righteous and innocent, peoples will curse him, nations (people) will defy and abhor him. But to those (Upright judges) who rebuke the wicked it is well and they will find delight, and a good blessing will be upon them.

Proverbs 24:24, 25

The plans of the mind and orderly thinking belongs to man, but from the Lord come the wise answer of the tongue
All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes, but the Lord weiths the spirits, the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Proverbs 16:1, 2

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Two major changes in federal income tax laws that will affect preparation of the 1975 income tax returns.

The first change is a new \$30 per person tax credit. The \$30 is subtracted directly from the amount of tax due on last year's income. A tax payer with 3 dependents will be permitted to deduct from his income tax \$120 (\$30 for himself and \$30 for each of his dependents.)

Many low income families may benefit from the second major change "Earned Income Credit." This applies to taxpayers with dependents and adjusted gross income (or earned income, if greater) under \$8,000. In order to qualify for this "earned income credit" a taxpayer must meet the following criterias:

1. Maintain a household for all of 1975 in the United States, and the household must have been the home for the taxpayer and at least one child under age 19. The child must be the taxpayer's own child.

2. Must not be entitled to exclude from gross income money earned outside the

United States or its possessions.

3. Have a taxable year of 12 full months.

4. Must file a joint income tax return if married.

Persons who qualify these requirements receive a credit of 10 per cent of the first \$4,000 in taxable income with a maximum credit of \$400. For example, a person with an income of \$3,500 for 1975 would be permitted a deduction of \$350 from his taxes. If the person did not have tax liability, he would receive a check for the \$350.

Persons with incomes over \$4,000 must reduce the deduction by 10 percent of all income over \$4,000. Thus, a person with \$6,000 income would reduce his deduction by \$200 (10 per cent of \$2,000), leaving a credit of \$200.

Persons who may not otherwise be required to file a return should do so to get a check for the earned income credit, even if no income tax has been withheld.

Dr. M. A. Soliman
Professor of Economics

AKA Miss Congeniality

Cynthia Marie Crump, born under the sign of Libra, and a native of Houston. She is a 21 year old senior majoring in Business Education. Her hobbies are softball, tennis, swimming, etc., and so having plain "old fun." After graduation, December '76, she plans to pursue a masters degree in Business. She pledged under fall line of 75, "Eleven Symbols of Faith." She has devoted much of her time to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. since the very first day she became a soror. She would like to distribute these few words to all of her sorors, "ask not what your Sorority can do for you,



Cynthia Marie Crump

but ask what you can do for your sorority.

Kay Williams—Reporter

Astrology

Astrology

This Month: Pisces

Symbol: The Fish

Dates Included: Feb. 20-March 20

Many Pisces like to be martyrs-suffering and crying. You can be far too emotional and tend to be too gloomy, sensitive and timid. You're apt to create your own private little world of illusion running away from life's relatives by escaping into your own fantasy world...or by drinking.

Full of self-pity, you sometimes like to make those around you unhappy as well. But, if you are aimed with the knowledge of your weaknesses, you can change. Pour your great compassion into others. Try to be more forceful and you'll find you're not so gloomy and despondent. Accept life for what it is instead of escaping into your private dream world. Bring laughter and joy to your loved ones instead of unhappiness and you'll reap a bonus.

ATTENTION

Financial Aid Applications

for the 1976-77 Fall Semester will be available March 5, 1976 in the Student Aid Office. Students planning to attend PV next regular session and needing financial assistance (Loan and/or Work Study) must complete an application before April 19, 1976.

BE SMART — COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION EARLY.

Pick up your Application before leaving for Spring Break.

Prof. A. W. Randall Will Be Remembered By Many

PRAIRIE VIEW—Funeral Services for A. W. Randall, retired Prairie View A&M University professor, are scheduled at 2:00 o'clock Wednesday, February 18 at St. Francis Episcopal Church, Prairie View.

Mr. Randall passed away Saturday at the Waller County hospital after a long illness. The Eulogy will be delivered by Rev. Lee C. Phillip, retired Prairie View A&M Chaplain and assisted by Rev. Robert Moore, vicar at St. Francis. Jones Mortuary of Navasota is in charge of arrangements. Burial will be in the Prairie View Memorial Cemetery.

A 45-year employee of the University, Mr. Randall joined the Prairie View staff as a mathematics teacher in 1923. A native of Mississippi and 1916 graduate of Alcorn A&M, the long-time teacher and Department Head recieved his early math training by corespondence from the University of California-Berkeley. He later earned the Masters degree in 1929 at the University of Colorado in Boulder.

Considered a Math wizard and a shrewd businessman, by Prairie View students and faculty over the years, Mr. Randall was reputed to be the first black teacher to publish a math textbook, "The Elements of Mathematics" which was adopted at several minority



A. W. Randall

institutions and received special attention at the "The Texas Centennial" in Dallas in 1936.

He also studied at the Iowa and Ohio State Universities. Near his retirement in 1968, the University Math Department named its honors club for Mr. Randall and has made cash and plague awards to students over the years. In his latter years he worked as a real estate broker and was active in political and community affairs.

Survivors include; a wife-Mrs. Beatrice Hogan Randall; one daughter-Berryissa Love; one son-Charles Randall; two brothers-GT. Randall, Muskogee, Okla. and Willie Randall of Memphis, Tenn.; a granddaughter-Carolyn Love Hubbard and a great granddaughter-Donyail Hubbard.

Biology Seminar Deals With Hansen's Disease

Dr. M. J. McCauley, Supervisor, Laboratory Improvement Branch, Texas Health Resources Laboratory, Austin, was the guest speaker at the Biology Seminar on Wednesday, February 11, 1976. The topic of his talk was "Some Misconceptions about Leprosy (Hansen's Disease)".

Dr. McCauley discussed Hansen's disease with respect to the many misconceptions people have about it. Texas has the highest incidence of the disease, and it is often mistaken for other ailments and not

properly treated. Hansen's disease is only one of many disorders which are referred to in the Bible as leprosy. The disease is very difficult to transmit; the bacterium which causes it only grows in living tissues; and the deformities associated with the disease are only secondary manifestations.

Dr. McCauley's talk was well received and numerous questions were asked.

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Chemistry Prof. To Chair Symposium at A&M Meet

Dr. Larry L. Cole, Associate Professor of Chemistry and Director of Chemical Research here at Prairie View A&M University has been selected by the sectional vice president of the Texas Academy of Science to chair a symposium entitled "Black Chemists Today." The symposium will be held at the 1976 Texas Academy of Science Meeting in College Station at Texas A&M University, March 6th, 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., room 141, Memorial Student Center.

Dr. Cole has selected the following prominent Black Chemists as speakers. Dr. Henry Hill, the recently elected president of the American Chemical Society and the first Black to hold that position will discuss "A Black Chemist Interacts With the Governmen-

tal Processes." Dr. Jesse Jones, Head of Natural Sciences at Bishop College, will discuss "Research in Small Predominantly Black Liberal Arts Colleges. Chemical Industry will be represented by Dr. Leslie Theard, currently a project manager with Gulf Oil Company. The contributions of Blacks to Medicinal Chemistry will be presented by Dr. James Guilford, currently with the School of Pharmacy, Texas Southern University and by Mr. Earl Johnson, Baylor College of Medicine. Others on the program are Dr. Alden Reine, with the United States Department of Agriculture, commenting on "Black Chemists Employed in Federal Agencies" and finally, Dr. Curtis W. McDonald, Head Department of Chemistry,



Dr. Larry L. Cole

Texas Southern University, who will present a scientific paper on current research.

The Texas Academy of Science meets once annually at different Colleges and Universities with in the state of Texas. This will be the first meeting, however, where a symposium will be devoted

Beta Beta Beta Visits Aviary

Members of the Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society recently took a field trip to an aviary located in Busch Gardens, Houston Texas. Beautiful, exotic birds from various regions of the world were on display. Unfortunately, the bird show was cancelled because of cold weather. A film was shown on the effects of anaerobic respiration by microorganisms (fermentation) and a tour of the facilities concluded the visit.

Oswald Johnson

totally to the contributions of Blacks in the field of Chemistry.

We are inviting the Prairie View Family to come and to attend the symposium and other general meetings that will be occurring Thursday, March 4th through Saturday, March 6th.



FTD—(Full Time Deltas) L-R, Porcia West, Billy Douglas, Delores Hayes, Avio Weathers, Debra Spencer, Willeta Gray, Bernice Sams, and Pam Cleaver. Kneeling, Shirley Hayes and Valena Lordes.

Pack plenty of change if you're driving through Kentucky. According to the 1975 Rand McNally Road Atlas, that state leads the nation in the

number of toll roads, with 10. Florida and Oklahoma share second place with five toll roads each.



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Highlights In PV History

The Prairie View Interscholastic League

By Curtis A. Wood

The Prairie View Interscholastic League was founded in 1920 under the name—"The Interscholastic League of Colored Schools in Texas."

The University of Texas Interscholastic League at Austin had worked with black schools in a number of counties in operating a separate league prior to 1920. Realizing the need for closer supervision and for the development of a greater interest in the program, officials of The University League worked out an arrangement to turn over the administration of The "Colored League" to the Director of the Negro School Division of the State Department of Education.

Professor L. W. Rogers, first assistant Superintendent of Education, became the League's chief promoter. He called upon the State Association of Colored Teachers meeting in Houston in November 1920 to appoint a State Committee to cooperate in the organization of the League. In March 1921, the committee was summoned to Austin to participate in a conference which resulted in the formal organization of the League. The form of the organization adopted was similar, in most respects, to that of The University of Texas League. During this meeting county and district officers were appointed for the 1920-21 school year and the first state meet was held at Prairie View College in April.

The first Prairie View state meet attracted schools from fifteen counties. Final contests were held in declamation, spelling, and athletic events and the results were described as very gratifying. Plans were made at that time for country, district, and state meets for the following year.

In April 1923, after two years of successful operation, Professor Rogers turned over active control of the League to Dr. J. G. Osborne, called upon the entire college staff to assist in promoting the activities of the League, establishing a pattern



D. J. THOMAS
League Director for Years

which persisted until the program was finally dissolved in 1968(?).

W. R. Banks, the seventh principal at Prairie View State College, took over the leadership of The League in 1926 and served as its executive secretary until his retirement in 1947. During his administration, many new contests were organized and an effort made to serve all the Negro schools of Texas, regardless of size. Mr. Banks continued to serve the college as the first Director of The League, a position to which he gave his full time and energies during his final years of service.

Dr. Edward B. Evans, who succeeded Mr. Banks as chief administrator at Prairie View, was successful in securing an appropriation from The State Legislative in 1951 to cover the cost of administration and promotion of The League. He appointed Mr. O. J. Thomas, a professor in the School of Agriculture, as the full-time director. Under Mr. Thomas' direction, the League continued to expand and improve. New contests were added, and an increase in participation on the part of representative committee was seen in The Administration and operation of various programs.

A State Executive Committee, composed of College staff members, was appointed by President Evans to work with

PV Was Once Proving Ground For Top Black Texas Athletes

Where are they now? Texas A&M, Texas, UH, Tech, Okla., etc. Some few are still going out of state to Ohio, Michigan, USC and others, but very few to the traditional black colleges.

The Interscholastic League events of PV yesteryears brought top athletics to the PV campus---along with bands, beauties, brains and the like. Over 50,000 persons visited the campus for these events each year like the Teachers Association, and The Education Conferences, the PV League stands as a monument in the long and productive history of Prairie View A&M.

League Directors



C. D. Yancey

the director of The Management of The League. The Executive Committee gave full supervision to the affairs of The League, including the hearing of disputes and furnishing official interpretations of Rules and Regulations.

Members of The State Executive Committee who were appointed in 1951 along with Mr. Thomas served The League throughout its final most productive years and were involved in the final recommendation to dissolve the program at Prairie View. They were Dr. George R. Woolfolk, Dr. C. A. Wood, Dr. J. L. Brown, Mr. J. C. Williams, Mr. W. H. Stickney, Mr. J. J. Woods, Mr. O. J. Baker, and Mr. J. R. Powell. Two members of this original committee, Mr. H. E. Fuller and Mr. M. V. Brown, served until their death in the late sixties.

A State Legislative Advisory Council was also an important link in The Administration of The Prairie View League. Composed of school principals or superintendents, the Council held an annual meeting at The College in December. It was the purpose of the council to consider and study all proposed legislation and recommendations coming from member schools and to recommend to The State Executive Committee legislation that it considered important to the interest of the League.

Reclassification of schools was a continuous responsibility of the Executive Committee including the addition of three classes, AAAA, AAA, and CC. From the beginning the League had operated classes 2A, A, C, and B. These designated classes were based principally on school enrollment. Classes B and C included junior high schools, grade schools, and small high schools with elementary grades.

C. C. Yancey was named Director of The League in 1966 to succeed Mr. Thomas who retired after a long history of service to Texas Public



Herman Jones

education. Mr. Yancey working with the same executive committee continued the League program at its high level for the next few years. Dr. Evans retired in December 1966 and Dr. Alvin I. Thomas was appointed President of the College. He gave full encouragement and emphasis to the League program during its final years of operation.

Herman Jones, who served as Mr. Yancey's assistant director, was elevated to director upon the death of Mr. Yancey in 1968. His services came at the time the League was gradually disbanding due to integration of public schools.

The Executive Committee voted in the Fall of 1968 to continue the Prairie View League as long as there were sufficient member schools who needed the services of a separate program. Competitions continued in some events during that year which was the final year of operation.

The Prairie View Interscholastic League throughout its 50-year history drew close support and guidance from the University Interscholastic



Cleveland Watts
San Augustine



Larry Jernigan
Marshall

Agriculture Students Attend State-Wide Meet

Two agricultural students, Larry Jernigan and Cleveland Watts, journeyed to Beaumont to attend the annual meeting of the Texas Chapter of the American Society of Agronomy, February 18.

The main focus of the student session of this meeting was the speech contest in which Larry participated. The title of Larry's speech was Tillage vs. Minimum Tillage vs. No Tillage. The contestants selected their topics after arriving in Beaumont and hence had only about five hours for preparation. Cleveland gave much assistance to Larry in the preparation of his speech.

Larry was also elected Secretary-Treasurer of the organization for the next year. The newly elected President and Vice President are from Texas A&I and Texas A&M Universities respectively.

Both Cleveland and Larry are looking forward to the meeting next year which will be held in Waco.

Sigma News

Below are officers of PHI BETA SIGMA Fraternity Inc., Delta Theta chapter for the spring semester. These officers will promote and encourage student awareness here at Prairie View A&M University. By keeping in mind "Culture for Service and Service for Humanity."

President, Brother Anderson Evans; Vice-President, Brother Joseph Lawson; Treasury, Brother Elmo Jackson; Recording Secretary, Brother Steve Hall; Financial Secretary, Brother Tyrone Jackson; Corresponding Secretary, Brother Willie Bell; Director of Social Action, Brother George Nelson; Bigger and Better Business, Brother William Whiteside; Assistant Parliamentarian, Brother Mickey Sparks; Pan Hellenic Representatives, Bro-

ther Mickey Sparks, Brother Rodney Melton, Brother Steve Hall; Dean Pledges, Brother Mason Barrett; Assistant Dean of Pledges, Brother William Loftis; Dean of Probates, Brother Tyrrell G. White; Sargent at Arms, Brother Elroy Stevenson; Chaplain, Brother Kenneth Tryels; Reporter, Brother Dale A. Sowell; Parliamentarian, Brother Adrian Stewart.

Our pledge line consist of two pledges, they are Crescent Chris Fridia, from Richmond California, zodiac sign Pisces, majoring in biology teachers education, classification advanced sophomore. Crescent George Whiteside from Cameron, Texas, zodiac sign virgo, majoring in drafting, classification advanced sophomore. The Crescent line is primary organized to familiarize young men of fraternal history, and to enhance them to be successful men. Thus keeping with the traditional ideas of Brotherhood, Scholarship, and Service.

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, is now implementing a raffle sale for a ten speed bike. The

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Women In The News . . .



Bernice Sams



Toni FitzPatrick



Earline Smith

Delta Women—Breaking New Ground at PV

Eta Beta Chapter of Prairie View A&M University are proud to spotlight three of its members breaking new ground at Prairie View. Apart from preparations of monthly public service projects, daily and weekly assistance to the University, these 3 young ladies are currently studying and looking forward to the sorority's best promises ever for the University.

The sisters would like to

salute these members for their participation and motivation in various academic, social and community service. They are sister Toni Fitzpatrick, Nursing major from Chicago, Illinois. Toni recently came to Prairie View in 1975 (Fall Semester). She is called "Pretty Toni." Earline Smith, senior, a sociology major who is student teacher in the HISD. She is a 1975 the Physical Education Queen, Junior Fellow and

member of the Sociology Club, and Womens Council.

Bernice Sams "Giggles" a biochemistry major, is a senior. She is Queen of Tri Beta Biological Honor Society, President of Womens' Council, Junior 1974-1975 Fellow, Parliamentarian of DST, Pride of Prairie View and Physics Club. We wish all these sisters motivation and love to move on for all mankind in the name of Delta.

1976 PRAIRIE VIEW A&M BASEBALL SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY

27 Texas College	Tyler, Texas
28 Wiley College	Marshall, Texas

MARCH

6 Open	
12 Miss. Valley State U.*	Itta Bena, Miss.
13 Miss. Valley State U.*	Itta Bena, Miss.
16 Wiley College	Prairie View
20 Jarvis College**	Hawkins, Texas
23 Paul Quinn**	Waco, Texas
26 Jackson State U.*	Prairie View
27 Jackson State U.*	Prairie View

APRIL

2 Southern University*	Prairie View
3 Southern University*	Prairie View
9 Grambling University*	Grambling La.
10 Grambling University*	Grambling, La.
14 Paul Quinn College**	Prairie View
16 Alcorn University*	Lorman, Miss.
17 Alcorn University*	Lorman, Miss.
26 Jarvis College**	Prairie View
30 Texas Southern Univ.*	Prairie View

MAY

1 Texas Southern Univ.*	Houston, Texas
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* Denotes Southwestern Conference Games
** Denotes NAIA Games

(All Games Start at 1 p.m.)

Head Coach — John Tankersley
Asst. Coach — Cornelius Cooper

It's Gonna Be Hot One Day/Water!

You Don't Miss Your Water
Until your well runs dry
You don't miss your last chance
Until it pass you by
You don't miss your good thing
Until its gone away
You don't miss your living
Until your dying day.

You'll Be Crying Water!
You had better listen
To what we have to say
Seeking first God's Kingdom
For sure's the only way
Satans out to get you
And that's without a doubt
Jesus died to save you
That's why we sing about

Touch me with your water!

Let him find you spotless
In each and every way
Time is getting nearer
To armageddon day
Trails and tribulations
Is what we're going through
That is why we're singing
This little song for you.

So you won't miss your water!
Composed By Larry Graham
Submitted by-Larry Randolph

PV Opens 31-Game Diamond Slate

Prairie View-Coach Tankersley's baseball team will open a 31-game slate beginning February 27, when the Panthers travel Tyler, where they play Texas College in a non-zone contest.

The Panthers posted a 18-14 season 6-9 SWAC, and 5-3 zone record last season.

The Panthers return 18 lettermen and All American candidates in shortstop Odie Davis, centerfield Joe Mitchell and pitcher Leon Brannon.

Coach Tankersley boast other star performers in All SWAC second baseman Ron Stinnett, outfielders Rowland Steptoe and Travis Weather- spoon; first baseman Greg Hemphill, catcher Richard Stroman and Pitcher Cleveland Sanford.

Tankersley, who has coached the Panthers to two NAIA district and four zone titles in five years is confident the Panthers will have an impressive campaign. "We should have a good club," said Tankersley. "We will be strong down the middle and in the infield. In Brannon (Leon) we will have a good pitching staff. We will be new at third and first base," Tankersley continued.

Brannon, the Panthes only senior posted a 5-1 season record last year and his 1.43 earn run average was second best in SWAC.

The Panthers play their first home game March 6, with Wiley College.

Sigma—

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bicycle will consist of twenty-two inch frame, with double wall chrome rims, racing style gum wall tires, racing handlebars with tape and plugs, deluxe racing saddle, caliper brakes with safety levers, stem mounted twin shifters, disc racing brakes, and fully reflectionized. The tickets

PV Coach On AAU Staff To Russia

Prairie View-Barbara Jacket, highly successful women track coach at Prairie View A&M University, has been named assistant coach to the AAU women tack team that will compete against Russia, March 6.

Ms. Jacket, who has coached the Pantherettes to three National and the first SWAC indoor title, which was held recently, will be making her second trip to the Soviet Union. She was assistant track coach to the AAU junior team that went to Europe in 1973.

Ms. Jacket's Pantherett teams have won 150 straight regular season meets and haven't been beaten in a regular season meet in three years.

She will leave Prairie View for New York City, February 26, where she will assist in picking members from the AAU indoor championship, which will be held at Madison Square Garden.

The team leaves New York



BARBARA JACKET—
Serving as Manager-Chaper-
one of the U. S. Track Team
competing in Lenigard, USSR
on March 6.

for Leningard, Russia, February 29.

"It's an honor to be selected to be on the staff to go to Russia," said Ms. Jacket.

Berry Sets State Record In Weight Lifting

By Timmy Brown

The Texas Collegiate Power lifting and Phisique Champions

Words of Wisdom

True happiness consists not in the knowledge of good things, but in good life; not in understanding, but in living understanding. Neither is it great learning but will that joins men to God.

are now being sold and will end on March 31, 1976. A mere donation of fifty cents will purchase a ticket. The men of Sigma appreciate your generous contribution to help toward our caused.

Ding

was this year hosted by Prairie View A&M University.

One of Prairie View's largest contenders was Ellis Berry who last year placed 4th in the weight competition. Berry, this year, went on to lift the states dead lift record to 575 lbs.

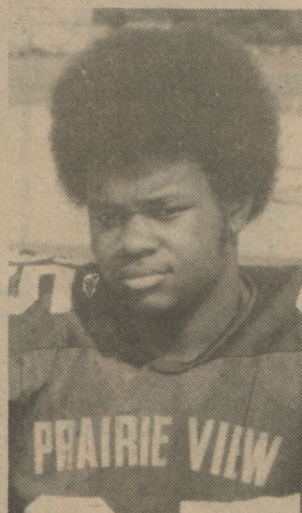
Samuel "coon" Harrison also went to take first place in his event. Not far behind Harrison was yet another student of Prairie View, Greg Austin who also did a great job for the Panther Weight lift team.

These high contenders were coached by Coach Jesse Hurst, who seemed very pleased.

Panthers Open Spring Practice

Prairie View-Coach Hoover Wright and his Prairie View Panther football team will open

spring training February 23, and some 70 prospects were on hand.



Gregory Austin



Charles Baity

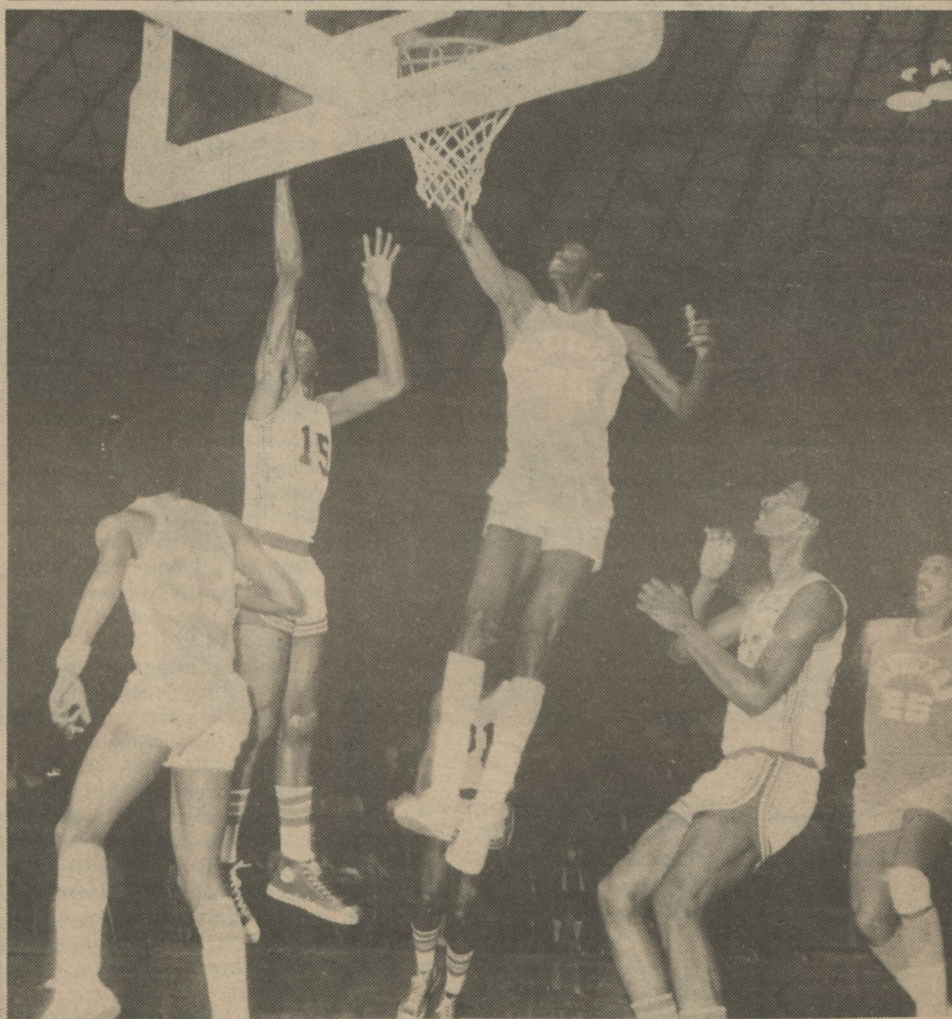
Set For Spring Training

Wright has set Wednesday, March 31, as the date for the Purple/Gold intra squad game. Picture day will be Monday, April 5.

The Panthers will return all 22 starters from last season and are looking forward to one of their most successful season in 1976.

Wright will place most of his concentration in the passing game. "We are going to put quite a bit of time on our passing game," Said Wright. We have a pretty sound running game. We will also spend a lot of time on defense, because you are always concerned about stopping the other people "he continued."

The Panthers running game was one of the best in SWAC. Led by the running of All America fullback David Bohannon's 749 yards, the Panther rushed for a total 1798 yards for a 199.0 game average.



ARMSTRON AT WORK—PV's Robert strong defense from Southern University in Armstrong (15) makes a lay-up shot despite the Little Dome.